

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

Annual Compliance Report, 2019

Docket No. ACR2019

CHAIRMAN'S INFORMATION REQUEST NO. 16  
AND NOTICE OF FILING UNDER SEAL

(Issued February 14, 2020)

To clarify the basis of information provided by the Postal Service in its FY 2019 Annual Compliance Report (ACR), filed December 27, 2019,<sup>1</sup> the Postal Service is requested to provide written responses to the following requests. Answers should be provided to individual requests as soon as they are developed, but no later than February 21, 2020.

**Flat-Shaped Mail**

1. Please refer to Library Reference USPS-FY19-45, December 27, 2019, file "Paragraph (f) Report.pdf," at 3-5. Please provide the "FSS Leakage" percentage and the "Volume to Capacity" percentage in FY 2018 and FY 2019.

**Customer Access**

2. In Docket No. ACR2016, the Postal Service filed data on post offices suspended at the end of FY 2016.<sup>2</sup> The Postal Service provided updated data for post offices suspended at the end of FY 2019 in a Chairman's Information Request

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<sup>1</sup> United States Postal Service FY 2019 Annual Compliance Report, December 27, 2019 (FY 2019 ACR).

<sup>2</sup> See Docket No. ACR2016, Library Reference USPS-FY16-45, January 23, 2017, Excel file "Suspended\_EOY16.xls."

response.<sup>3</sup> The FY 2019 data lists the incorrect Zip Code for many of the suspended post offices.<sup>4</sup> There are also inconsistencies between the FY 2016 data and FY 2019 data concerning suspension, proposal, and community meeting dates. Motion at 3-6. Please reconcile the discrepancies between the data provided for FY 2016 and the data provided for FY 2019, and file an updated Excel spreadsheet containing data for post offices suspended at the end of FY 2019.

### **Market Dominant International Mail**

3. Please refer to Library Reference USPS-FY19-NP2, December 27, 2019, Excel file "FPS\_Inbound\_Inputs.xlsx" (FPS Inbound Inputs file). Please refer also to Library reference USPS-FY19-NP9A, December 27, 2019 (revised January 10, 2020), Excel file "IB LP Shape by UPU Group FY19.Rev.1.10.20.xlsx" (NP9A file), tab "Summary."
  - a. Please refer to cells D8, D10, D12, and D14 of the NP9A file. Please confirm that the revenue from Inbound Letter Post format P and format G includes transit revenue found in tab "TRANSIT\_ALC" of the FPS Inbound Inputs file. If confirmed, please refer to question 3.d. If not confirmed, please explain the values in cells D8, D10, D12, and D14 of the NP9A file.
  - b. Please refer to cell P8, P10, P12, and P14 of the NP9A file. Please confirm that the cost for Inbound Letter Post format P and format G includes domestic transportation costs associated with transit weight found in tab "TRANSIT\_ALC" of the FPS Inbound Inputs file. If confirmed,

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<sup>3</sup> Responses of the United States Postal Service to Questions 1-9 of Chairman's Information Request No. 6, January 31, 2020, Excel file "PostOfficesFY2019.ChIR.6.Q.1.xlsx."

<sup>4</sup> See Motion for Issuance of Information Request No. 2 Steve Hutkins, February 7, 2020, at 2-3 (Motion).

please refer to question 3.d. If not confirmed, please explain the values in cells P8, P10, P12, and P14 of the NP9A file.

- c. Please refer to cells J8, J10, J12, and J14 of the NP9A file. Please confirm that the Inbound Letter Post format P and format G volume does not include transit mailpieces found in tab "TRANSIT\_ALC" of the FPS Inbound Inputs file. If confirmed, please refer to section 1130 of the Mail Classification Schedule and explain why transit volume is not included with Inbound Letter Post volume. If not confirmed, please explain the values in cells J8, J10, J12, and J14.
  - d. If questions 3.a. and 3.b. are confirmed, please confirm that all Inbound Letter Post transit volume is format P or format G and that there are no format E pieces among the transit volume found in tab "TRANSIT\_ALC" of the FPS Inbound Inputs file. If not confirmed, please identify where FY 2019 Inbound Letter Post format E transit volume is included in file NP9A. Also, if not confirmed, please identify where FY 2019 Inbound Letter Post format E transit revenue and costs are included in file NP9A.
4. Please refer to FPS Inbound Inputs file and to Library Reference USPS-FY19-NP2 (revised January 10, 2020) Excel file "Reports (Unified).xls" (Reports file), tab "A Pages (md)." Please confirm that the revenue reported in cell D32 and the volume variable cost reported in cell F32 of the Reports file include transit revenue and domestic transportation cost associated with transit weight as found in tab "TRANSIT\_ALC" of the FPS Inbound Inputs file, but the volume reported in cell L32 of the Reports file does not include transit mailpieces, also found in tab "TRANSIT\_ALC" of the FPS Inbound Inputs file. If confirmed, please explain why revenue and cost are included, but volume is not.
  5. Please see Attachment, filed under seal.
  6. Please see Attachment, filed under seal.

7. Please see Attachment, filed under seal.
8. Please see Attachment, filed under seal.

By the Chairman.

Robert G. Taub